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**DEVICE** 

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- **EXPLANATION OF WHY CONTESTED CHARGE IS IN ERROR**: A two-month 2. extension of time was inadvertantely filed with a Supplemental Amendment on February 20, 2007. Since a responsive and timely Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.121 was filed on December 20, 2006, as evidenced by the Examiner's subsequent action, the Supplemental Amendment filed on February 20, 2007, did not require a two month extension of time.
- 3. MANNER OF REFUND: Please make refund by crediting our Deposit Account No. 16-0605.

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